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Chesapeake Man Sentenced for Attempted Receipt of Child Pornography

(Norfolk, Virginia) – Steven M. Lucas, age 35, of Chesapeake, was sentenced today to five years in prison, followed by supervised release for a term of life. Chuck Rosenberg, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, made the announcement after Lucas was sentenced by United States District Judge Jerome B. Friedman. Lucas previously pled guilty on May 30, 2008, to one count of attempted receipt of material containing child pornography.

According to court documents, a credit card transaction was linked to the purchase of a membership to a child pornography website. After obtaining a search warrant, federal and state law enforcement agents conducted a search of Lucas' residence, which resulted in the seizure of his computer and several computer disks. A forensic examination of these seized materials revealed approximately 500 images of child pornography.

This case was investigated by the Department of Homeland Security – Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and the Chesapeake Police Department. Assistant United States Attorney Randy C. Stoker prosecuted the case on behalf of the United States.

A copy of this press release may be found on the website of the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia at <http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/vae>. Related court documents and information may be found on the website of the District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia at <http://www.vaed.uscourts.gov> or on <http://pacer.uspci.uscourts.gov>.

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